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Assignee: Sun Microsystems, Inc.
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTHENTICATION AND PAYMENT FOR DEVICES PARTICIPATING IN JINI COMMUNITIES
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

1. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper;
and
2. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.